REMARKS

After a telephone interview with the Examiner, the Examiner stated that a mistake was made in the Office Action mailed March 10, 2004. He stated that claim 13 should have been allowed. Claim 13 is allowable over the prior art references because players playing said linked gaming machines who enter said bonusing event compete against each other at said bonusing event is not taught by any of the prior art of record.

Applicant has cancelled all other claims that were rejected by the Examiner.

Applicant has amended claim 13 because of a previous grammatical mistake.

Applicant believes that the application is now in condition for allowance.

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